## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 737 By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ms. Tequia Lanese Brown, 2000 Salutatorian of Raleigh-Egypt High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Tequia Brown is one such exceptional student who recently was named salutatorian of the 2000 graduating class at Raleigh-Egypt High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Tequia Brown has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students of Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Brown has earned an exemplary 3.8 grade point average while actively participating in a number of extracurricular activities, including as a member of the Student Council, Tennessee Career Association, and FHA; and

WHEREAS, a natural athlete, Tequia Brown has demonstrated her incredible athletic talent on the school's track team, which went to the state track meet, the Soccer Team, the

Cheerleading Team, and the Field Hockey Team, in addition to managing the Basketball Team and dazzling spectators as a majorette; and

WHEREAS, possessing great musical ability, Ms. Brown is a member of the Select Choir, Jazz Choir, and Carnegie Hall; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her many talents and accomplishments, Tequia was selected as a member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society, participated in the Black History Bowl, and was listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Tequia's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, always eager to lend a helping hand to those in need, Tequia Brown has demonstrated her benevolent nature as a Natural Helper, a peer mediator, and as a volunteer with Camp Civitan, food and clothes drives for FHA and TCA, and special education classes; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Brown's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Cleophus and Linda Lane, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Tequia plans to pursue a career in Physical Therapy, eventually earning masters and doctorate degrees; and

WHEREAS, Tequia Brown's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Raleigh-Egypt High School Salutatorian, Ms. Tequia Lanese Brown, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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